CURRENT COMMENT.

LINCOLN's birthday, February 12, has been made a legal holiday in New York

TEXAS this year has devoted 7,433,946 acres to cotton, an increase of nearly ten per cent. over last year.

A MAN in Delaware was recently given ten lashes and set in the pillory one hour for stealing an umbrella.

THE American apple is carrying all before it in Austria-Hungary and the

supply in nowise satisfies the demand.

A NEW English vessel, named the "Turbinia," equipped with three separate turbines coupled to three serew and means committee had formulated shafts, has been run at a speed of 35 an anti-trust sugar schedule, which land miles an hour.

A BILL-POSTING machine, which sticks bills on walls even as high as 50 feet, without the use of ladder or paste-pot, is doing successful work in Paris.

Ax innovation in funeral corteges was a bicycle funeral at Elizabeth, N. J., the other day, the hearse being followed by the mourners, men and women, on wheels.

ROBERT W. BLANCHARD, the fat boy of Hinsdale, N. II., who weighs 417 pounds, is 17 years of age and less than six feet in height, has challenged which provides for the taking of a "Baby" Bliss, who weighs over 500 plebiscite on the prohibition question. pounds, to compete with him in a cycle race for any distance from one to 20

CHARLES E. WILSON, colored, was whipped in the jail at Centerville, Md., by the sheriff in fulfillment of the sentence of the circuit court for Queen Anne county, which condemned him to 15 days in jail and 15 lashes for wife beating. The whipping was done with clubs of St. Louis, Chicago and Boston

THE results of the local option elections in New York towns under the new law have been tabulated, and it appears that 266 have voted against any kind of license, and 34 for drug licenses only, while 358 have voted for every kind of license, and 284 for various combinations of licenses.

now being received at the post office department there seems to be a general belief that congress has authorized the issue and use of private postal cards, mailable at one cent rate of postage. This belief is unfounded. The department has called the attention of all postmasters to this fact and has no- which the sultan agrees to an armistified them that no law has been enacted upon the subject, so that private mailing cards, bearing written mesin the Grecian cabinet were implicated sages, when deposited in the mails are subject to postage at the letter in a plot to overthrow the dynasty in

THE general passenger agents of the erected at West Point, N. Y., to the western roads, who for several months soldiers of the regular army who lost have been trying to find a form of round their lives in the civil war, Justice trip excursion ticket which would prove Brewer, of the United States supreme useless for scalping purposes, have court, delivered the address of the day. finally decided that the ticket invented | A MONUMENT was unveiled on Boston by General Passenger Agent Sebastian, common on the 31st to the memory of of the Rock Island, and known as Col. John R. G. Shaw and his brave the Sebastian ticket, is the only black men who fell in the assault on one that will answer the purpose. The chief feature of this ticket is that the purchaser does not receive the return portion of his ticket until after he has arrived at his destination and is about dren were struck by an Illinois Central passenger train at Alma, Ill., and all to make the return trip.

LIEUT. PEARY, who has been granted driving in a wagon and were caught five years' leave of absence by the navy department for another expedition in Mr. J. H. White and his wife went search of the north pole, will start for a visit the other night leaving north this summer to communicate their five children in bed in their farm with the Esquimaux at Whale sound house at Welsh, W. Va. They returned inhabitants were greatly frightened and get the most intelligent of the to find the house in ashes and their young men to go farther north and children burned to death. take their families and establish a colony. During the year the Esquimaux yards at Kansas City that the recentlyare to be employed in laying in a large cnacted sheep dipping order had been reseinded and commission men and stock of supplies and training a pack of dogs and then in the summer of shippers were greatly pleased. 1898 Lieut. Peary will make a dash dered in the wages of certain men at from that place to the north pole.

LIBBY prison will soon be closed works at Pittsburgh, Pa., and the men at Chicago. The Appomattox table, refused to go to work. the first oil portrait of Grant and all THE judge in the court at Washingthe other pictures, documents, cannon, ton on the 1st ordered the jury to bring shot and shell forming the collection in a verdict of acquittal in the case of of American war relies will probably John E. Searles, the sugar trust witfind a resting place in Washington ness, holding that the questions asked city. The Chicago prison building by the senate committee were not withwill return to its original con- in the jurisdiction of the committee. dition as a warehouse, unless the own- MANY of the striking tailors at New ers should change their plans and re- York went to work on the 1st, all their move it to another part of the city. demands having been conceded by the The prison has attracted few visitors contractors. lately, while the ground upon which it stands has become too valuable for mines resumed work on the 1st, the its present use.

A STATEMENT of the comparative A TERRIBLE race war between whites strength of the navies of the world, as and blacks was reported raging in given in the official organ of the Ger- Pope county, Ark., on the 1st, in which man naval service, says there is only three men had already been killed or one naval power of the first rank-Great fatally wounded and further outbreaks Britain. The French navy is barely were expected at any time. half as strong and is classified as a sea power of the second rank. The third recently whipped two negro women class includes Russia, the United within an inch of their lives and shot States, Japan, Italy and Germany. to death a negro named John Hayden, Expressing the fighting value of the whom they mistook for another negro fleets in terms of units, the author esti- who had incurred their displeasure. mates the English fleet at 1,000, the French at 466, the Russian at 280, the American, German and Italian at 195 1st, aged 87 years. each and the Japanese at 179.

THE recently-completed census of the United States army, state and federal, save what property they could, when shows that the state organizations aggregate 112,000 men, which, in addition to the 25,000 soldiers of the regular army, make a force of 127,000 men. lar army, make a force of 137,000 men man was killed and several others badly injured. that could be called upon for immediate service. In case of war the United States would be dependent upon vol- stoned out of Clayton, a suburb of St. unteers or drafts for any increase of Louis, by a crowd of men and boys. its army of 137,000 men. It is esti-A collision between Miss Annie Hunter, a society girl, and Charles mated that the entire reserve of men between the ages of 18 and 45 subject Tate, a negro, while on their bicycles to call for military defense is about at Atlanta, Ga., resulted in the death 10,000,000 men, a greater army than any of the negro and the probably fatal country but Russia could muster. injury of Miss Hunter.

A NOVEL exercise took place a short time ago in one of the principal min-ing eight children at Denver, Col., on ing camps of Colorado when the pro-the 30th and four of them were killed spective returns from a producing mining property were formally offered to rd to aid in charitable and other hurt. The driver of the wagon was inworks of philanthropy, but more estoxicated, pecially to aid and educate or John F.

THERE were 257 business failures in the United States for the week ended the 28th, according to Bradstreet's re-port, against 227 for the corresponding week last year. JUNE-1897. Sun. Mon. Tue. Wed. Thur. Fri. Sat. 2 3' 1

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NEWS OF THE WEEK

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL

Ir was said at Washington that the

democratic members of the house ways

they would offer at the proper time as

line. It was said to give more protec-

tion than either the Dingley or Ald-

rich schedules and at the same time

enable consumers to supply their de-

the king of Greece was practically bar-

ricaded in his palace at Athens and

THE Canadian government is prepar-

ing a bill to submit to parliament,

SECRETARY BLISS, of the interior de-

partment, received on the 1st the ap-

plication of Maj. Thomas Anderson, of

names and the paper that contained

THE secretary of the treasury spoke

at the dinner given to the commercial

by the commercial club of Cincinnati

on the 28th. The subject of the dis-

course was the tariff and the public

finances and the secretary said upon

the settlement of these two questions

enterprise waited and industry lan-

In an interview at New York on the

20th Senator Platt said he believed the

tariff bill would pass before July 1, as

every test vote taken had indicated

PRESIDENT WOODMANSEE has issued a

call for the annual convention of the

National Republican league at Detroit,

As irade has been communicated

the representatives of the powers by

tice of a fortnight beginning May 30.

News from a Russian source stated

At the unveiling of the monument

J. W. ROBERTS, wife and two chil-

NOTICE was received at the stock

A REDUCTION of ten per cent, was or-

"DIVINE HEALER" SCHBARDER WI

A TRAIN on the Denver & Rio Grande

railway dashed into a wagon contain-

the 30th and four of them were killed

outright, two others were fatally infured and the other two were seriously

that Premier Ralli and his colleagues

Mich., for July 13.

guished, but the future was bright.

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THE Yale university team won the two-mile boat race with the Wisconsin university team on Lake Saltonstz I in Connecticut on the 29th, winning by 8 9 10 11 12 about three lengths and being ten sec

onds ahead. Time, 10:54.
REPRESENTATIVES of independent telephone companies throughout the central and western states met in Chicago recently for the purpose of effecting a national organization of all the independent telephone companies in the United States to combat the Bell Telephone Co., and to protect the smaller exchanges against any action that might be taken in the courts by the Bell company in reference to the Gleaned By Telegraph and Mail. recent Berliner decision by the United

States supreme court. SEVEN hundred convicts, comprising the jute mill force, in the prison at San Quentin, Cal., recently rebelled at the prison fare and refused to work unless an improvement in the menu was promised. The prisoners were ora substitute for all propositions in that dered placed in solitary confinement on bread and water until they agreed

to conform to prison rules. poem of 80 stanzas, pointing out the duties of frugality and the evil of A TELEGRAM on the 28th stated that gluttony.

DECORATION day was observed in Kansas City, Mo., and surrounding that he was making preparations to cities in an appropriate manner, the leave that city in order to evade the graves of the dead veterans in the different cemeteries being decorated with flowers and the day given up to

parades by the G. A. R. posts. An earthquake was felt at Zanesnoon of the 31st. Employes in the Courier building rushed downstairs, the vibrations being so decided. Shocks Topeka, Kan., for pension agent, to succeed ex-Gov, Glick. The applica-Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Georgia and other places.

tion was indorsed by probably 10,000 MEMORIAL day was generally ob served at Washington. There was a parade of the G. A. R. and imposing ceremonies were held at the national cemetery at Arlington. President Me-Kinley was present.

THE Cheyenne Indians at the Lame Deer agency in Montana were said to be making threatening demonstrations against the white settlers and the ranchmen were anxious to avenge the murder of a sheep herder by the Indians. Trouble was expected.

FIVE young people were killed and a number of others injured at Valley Springs, L. I., by the tally-ho in which they were out for an excursion being struck by a train at a crossing.

DURING a service in the cathedral at Pisa, Italy, upon the unveiling of an image to the Virgin a candle fell, setting fire to the building and causing a panic. During the rush for the doors nine persons were killed and 21 others seriously injured. The fire was soon extinguished, without causing much damage.

THE athletes of the Pennsylvania university are the intercollegiate champions for this year as they won the Intercollegiate association's championship cup at New York on the 29th. score by points was as follows: Pennsylvania, 34: Yale, 2416; Harvard, 15%: Princeton, 1514; Georgetown, 7; Boston, 5; Syracuse, 1; Cornell, 1; Trin-

ity, M: Wesleyan, M. WILL LEWIS and Wit Bosworth met at Salem church at Sweet Hole, Tex., walked a short distance away from the crowd and began emptying their revolvers at one another. By the time their friends got to them both men were dead. Bad blood had existed be-

were instantly killed. They were tween them. An earthquake shock occurred at Whitehall and other places in New York about 10:15 on the night of the 27th. Dispatches from Jefferson and St. Lawrence counties stated that the and rushed out of their houses in their night clothes. Windows were shaken, sashes broken and lamps overturned.

WHILE a Grand Army post was de-corating the graves in the cemetery adjoining St. Peter's Episcopal church at Philadelphia a wall upon which a number of children were climbing to get a view of the ceremonies fell down and ten of the little ones were severely Jones' & Laughlin's American iron

injured. ADDITIONAL DISPATCHES. EDGAR HARRIS, a letter-carrier at Tracy as second choice. Baltimore, Md., shot and killed his 12year-old son and his youngest daughand then turned the pistol on himself, inflicting a fatal wound. He fired at his nine-year-old son, but the little felhave been mentally unbalanced by the

recent death of his wife. THE English Derby for three-yearold horses was run at Epsom on the 2d, THE coal miners of the Baldwin, Col. J. Gubbins' Galtee More being first, Lord Rosebery's Velasquez second, and J. S. Harrison's History third.

the state board of arbitration. THE strike at Jones & Laughlin's iron works at Pittsburgh, Pa., spread to all the departments on the 2d. The engineers, polishers and shippers went out, swelling the number of strikers to

LEROY BROWN, 15 years old, met his WHITECAPS in Lamar county, Ark. removing the insulation from a live electric light wire. He was in a tree at the time, and after receiving the shock fell to the ground, his head striking upon the curbing and being GEN. DANIEL RUGGLES died at his split open. home in Fredericksburg, Va., on the

A FIRE broke out in King's ware Charles Seward, the wealthiest farmer hours of terrible suffering. house at Charlotteville, Va., on the in Harrison county, Ind. He was 77 51st and a dozen people rushed in to SPEAKER REED, of the lower house

of congress, has received a number of letters from cranks threatening his life if he does not allow the house to take action on the Cuban resolution. AT Philadelphia on the 2d the inter-

national commercial congress was opened by President McKinley, 350 delegates being present. In the evening a banquet was given, nearly 1,500 persons participating. Mr. McKinley answered to the toast of "The President of the United States."

A SPECIAL to the Chicago Chronicle from Washington on the 3d stated that the republican managers would at tempt to pass a currency reform measure as soon as the tariff bill is out of

phans. The mine is the Bon Ton, a gold producing property, located in Russell guich, in Gilpin county, and has been leased by Rev. J. H. Weber, of Preston, O., and Mr. C. W. Elmer, of Monroc, Mich. The ceremony was witnessed by a large concourse of people and most of the local ministers.

John F. Johnson, late president and cashier of the State national bank of Logansport, Ind., who pleaded guilty to embezzling over \$300,000 of the bank's funds, was sentenced to tan tendered its resignation to the queen regent owing to the difficulty it had in carrying on the government, caused by a large concourse of people and most of the local ministers. JOHN F. JOHNSON, late president and

DISPENSARY LAW.

A Resolution to Investigate the Legal Decision Against It.

A MEASURE FOR CURRENCY REFORM

One May Be Passed After the Tariff Bill I Disposed of-The Indian Troubles Quieted-The Minister to

WASHINGTON, June 3.-The senate made greater progress on the tariff bill than on any day since the debate opened, completing more than half of the important metal schedule. The speaking was by the democratic senators, the republican senators taking no part in the debate except at rare in-

tervals to answer questions which would expedite the advance of the bill. Messrs. Jones, of Arkansas, and Vest urged numerous amendments, embodying in the main the Wilson rates, but these were rejected, with one exception. This exception related to anvils on which Mr. Vest secured a reduction from 2 to 1% per cent. per pound. It THE pope has just completed a Latin was the first change made without the assent of the committee, and it was due mainly to the listless manner of many senators in voting.

Early in the day Mr. Tillman, of South Carolina, secured the adoption of a resolution directing the judiciary committee to inquire into the recent decision against the South Carolina dispensary law, with a view to reporting such legislation as might be desirable. He spoke briefly in support of ville, O., about one o'clock in the after- the resolution, saying the public impression that the dispensary law was a money-making device was erroneous and that it had accomplished much good in regulating the liquor traffic. There was objection to the preamble, and finally Mr. Hoar, of Massachusetts, chairman of the judiciary committee, proposed a substitute omitting all the preamble and simply directing the judiciary committee to consider and report by bill or otherwise what legislation, if any, is necessary to carry out the statute of 1890 relating to commerce between states. Mr. Tillman accepted the substitute and it was agreed to.

A MEASURE FOR CURRENCY REPORM. CHICAGO, June 3.-A special to the Chronicle from Washington says: It is announced semi-officially that congress will not immediately adjourn after the passage of the tariff bill. The republican managers have decided, in accordance with the wishes of the administration, that they will attempt to pass a currency reform measure as soon as the tariff question is out of the way. It is contended that the statement recently made by Secretary Gage that something would be done by the present congress for the improvement of our finances was not an idle suggestion, but one which embodied the views of the administration and the leading republicans of congress. It is stated, owever, that all the president desires from the present session of congress is the authority to appoint a currency commission, whose members shall be directed to report at the regular ses sian in December a feasible plan of placing the national finances on a

sound, substantial and enduring basis. THE INDIAN TROUBLES QUIETED. WASHINGTON, June 3.-A telegram received at the Indian bureau yesterday from Agent Stouch at the Tongt River reservation announces the arrest of Stanley, the Cheyenne, whose admitted murder of Sheepherder Hoover precipitated the Indian trouble here. In the afternoon Gov. Robert B. Smith of Montana, telegraphed from Helena that he had just received word that the murderer had been arrested and was in the hands of the sheriff. He said he would advise the sheriff to cooperate with the agent, and thought the trouble was about over. Yesterday's advices reassured the authorities here and they believe the excitement will soon subside.

THE MINISTER TO SPAIN. WASHINGTON, June 3.-Mr. Whitelaw Reid, who is going as the president's special representative at the queen's jubilee, may go from London to Madrid to become our minister to Spain. He is said to be the president's first choice for the place now, with ex-Secretary

SPAIN'S MINISTRY RESIGNS. ter, wounded his 1+-year-old daughter Due in Part to the Passage of the Morgan

Belligerency Resolution.

MADRID, June 3. — Premier Séno Canovas Del Castillo has tendered to low escaped. Harris was thought to the queen regent the resignation of the cabinet, owing to the difficulty the ministers experienced in carrying on the government in view of the parliamentary situation caused by the re-fusal of the liberals to take part in the deliberations of the cortes. The attitude of the liberals is due to the personal encounter between the duke of Tetuan, minister for foreign affairs, and Prof. Comas, a liberal senator, on May 21, when the duke slapped the face of the senator after a heated debate on the Morgan belligerency resolution adopted by the United States death at Peoria, Ill., as the result of senate. The queen regent has accepted the resignation.

A Victim of Lockjaw. SEDALIA, Mo., June 3.—Least Friday, Novie Green, the seven-year-old son of Mrs. Frank Green, ran a sliver of wood in the ball of his left foot, inflicting a Poisoning from pulling up wild par-snips in his garden caused the death of night and the boy died after a few

Cutworm Destroying Corn St. Joseph, Mo., June 3.-The cutworm is creating great havoe in the corn fields of northern Missouri. Several remedies have been tried, but all have proven unsuccessful. The damage appears to be the worst in the vicinity Corning, where whole fields have been destroyed, despite the efforts of the planters.

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NOTES AWHEEL

tempt to pass a currency reform measure as soon as the tariff bill is out of the way.

The senate completed more than half of the metal schedule of the tariff bill on the 2d and Senator Tillman secured the adoption of a resolution to inquire into the recent legal decision against the South Carolina dispensary law.

In Japan the price of a cycle varies in ratio to its speed. Thus, for a tenmile bicycle you may pay \$23, but for a 15-mile bicycle perhaps \$60.

Canada will be represented at the international championships at Glasgow, Scotland, in July. Harley Davidson and Paleh Axton have already applied for

Parsons, the Australian rider, is con ing to this country. He writes to a friend that he will be on hand for the mational tournament to be held in Phil-adelphie in August

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THE WORK OF CONGRESS.

Condensed Proceedings of the Senate and House in Extra Session.

The senate on the 27th disposed of about ten pages of the tariff bill, the drug schedule being under discussion. Before taking up the tariff bill the final conference report on the sundry civil bill was agreed to, including the provision suspending, until March 1 next, the executive order creating extensive forest reserves.... In the bouse Mr. Wheeler (Ky.) introduced a bill for taxing certain occupations, such as compafor taxing certain occupations, such as compa-nies engaged in the oil, iron and steel business, railways, banks, etc. Mr. Madden (Ga.) intro-duced a bill to exclude commercial agencies from the mails. Mr. Lewis (Wash.) endeavfrom the mails. Mr. Lewis (Wash.) endeayored to bring the Cuban question before the
house as a privileged question and offered a
resolution declaring it to be the sense of congress that the beiligreeney of the Cuban insurgents should be recognized. Speaker Reed declared it to be out of order and the house by 91
to 57 sustained the speaker. The house then
adjourned until the 31st.

In the senate on the 28th Senator Tillman (S. C.) presented a resolution for the appoint ment of a special committee to investigate charges of speculation in sugar stocks by sena-tors while the tariff bill was before the finance committee. In advocating the resolution Mr. Tillman said it was about time these published charges, most of them signed by the names of their authors, should be probed and, if true, the senate should be purged of those who had debauched it. They resolution was referred. Thirteen pages of the tariff bill was gone over. The democrats made an effort to reduce th rates on window glass, but their amendments were defeated. Mr. Cullom (III.) presented an amendment to strike out the provision of the bill increasing the tax on beer and to insert a provision making the tax on all distilled spirits 70 cents a gallon... The house was not in

THE senate on the 29th passed a resolution introduced by Senator Mills (Tex.) for an a propriation of \$10,00) for the relief of the fic sufferers. Not much progress was made on the tariff bill, the plate glass paragraphs proving a source of controversy. As a result little more than a page of the bill was disposed of. Senator Morgan (Ala.) created some excitement by his severe criticism of the inaction of the house of representatives. After a sharp contest with of representatives. After a sharp contest with the tariff leaders Senator Quay (Pa.) succeeded in carrying a motion to adjourn until the 1st. The house was not in session.

Good progress was made in the senate on the 1st on the tariff bill, the paragraphs covering marble and stone, china, glass, brick and tile being completed. Senator Smith (N. J.) rose to a question of privilege and made a pointed denial of having speculated in sugar stocks while sugar was the subject of legislation. Mr. McLaurin was sworn in as senator for South Carolina. Senator Pettigrew introduced a bill for submitting to a popular vote the questions as to whether congress shall enact a law for the free coinage of sliver and amend the constitution so as to provide for the elec-tion of president, when the president and senators. tion of president, vice president and senators by direct vote of the people... The house adopted the conference report on the sundry civil bill and agreed to the senate bills making a special appropriation for the government printing office and for giving the secretary of he navy authority to contract with any vessel to take the supplies contributed to India's starving millions. The house adjourned until

TAILORS' DEMANDS GRANTED. New York Strikers Are Returning to Work at Increased Pay.

NEW YORK, June 2.-Two thousand of the striking tailors employed in the shops of 105 contractors went to work this morning at advanced wages, based on 59 hours a week. All their demands were granted. The Lithuanian tailors, numbering 2,000 more, also made a settlement at their own terms to-day and will return to work. Forty-five shops of the jacketmakers were thrown open. Secretary Horn said that 700 of his men were back at work at increased wages and shortened hours, all their demands being granted. Sixty manufacturing wholesalers and contractors were on hand this morning and affixed their names to the roll which 250 had already signed.

REVOLUTION IN PHOTOGRAPHY

William A. Eddy's Invention May Photograph Ships Below the Line of Vision. NEW YORK, June 2.—William A. Eddy apparatus after a year's study. By his invention it will be possible to take from midair a perfect photograph of the entire horizon line. With uch an apparatus Eddy claims that a photograph can be taken at sea which will show a ship approaching when it is ten miles beyond the norizon line, as seen from a ship's deck. The inventor is confident his apparatus can be used to great advantage during

SHEEP DIPPING ORDER.

Notice Received at Kansas City That It Has Been Rescinded.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 2.—Notice has been received at the stock yards from Washington that the recently enacted sheep dipping order had been rescinded. Commission men and shippers are greatly pleased and the stock yards people say that they are satisfied. The order notified shippers that scabby sheep must be dipped immediately upon reaching the yards, held ten days and dipped again. As soon as shippers learned of the order they protested vehemently, declaring that it would be a serious injury to them.

PHILADELPHIA, June 2.-The National Commercial congress was prac tically opened yesterday morning a meeting of the national advisory board at the rooms of the Philadelphia Commercial museum. The official and formal opening of the congress took place to-day at the Academy of Music, when an address will be made by President McKinley.

Political Status of the Senate. WASHINGTON, June 2.—The senator from South Carolina, John L. Me-Laurin, who succeeded the late Senator Earle, was sworn in at the opening of the session to-day. This establishes the personnel of the senate as it will remain for some time, viz.: Republicans, 43; democrats, 34; populists, 7; silver republicans, 5; vacancy, 1 (Oregan). Total, 90.

Leutgert Held for His Wife's Murder CHICAGO, June 2. - Adolph Leutgert, the rich sausage maker, charged with the murder of his wife, was held to the grand jury without bail. The examining magistrate said there was strong circumstantial evidence that the crime had been committed, and that the evidence pointed to the conclusion that the defendant was guilty.

Unknown Man Horribly Mangled Kansas Cirr, Mo., June 2.—An un-known man committed suicide by throwing himself in front of a switch engine at the foot of Broadway yester-day afternoon. His body was horribly mangled and death was instantaneous.

The speed of the fastest Atlanti steamer is now greater than that of the express trains on Italian railways. Fifteen million cows are required for the milk trade of this country and they are fed on the produce of 49,000,000 acres of land.

TO BOOM COMMERCE

The International Congress Opened at Philadelphia.

NOTABLE BANQUET AT NIGHT.

ident McKinley Said That When the Tariff Bill Was Passed We Shall Have Business Confidence and Industrial Activity.

PHILADELPHIA, June 3.-The comnereial leaders of the western hemisphere assembled in the great exchange coom of the Bourse last night at what was probably the most notable banquet ever given on this continent. The banquet was notable not only in point of numbers, nearly 1,500 persons par ticipating, but in the distinction of the chief guests. President McKinley was there and he spoke to the assem bly. Seated at the table of honor were Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, Attorney-General McKenna, Congressmen Dingley, Dalzell, Grosvenor, Heatwold and Tawney, the ministers from Mexico, Brazil, Chili, Argentine, Venezuela and other South American gov ernments: the Chinese minister and a number of other eminent officials from the capital.

It was nearly 10:30 o'clock when the speech-making began. Gov. Hastings opened the list by responding to "A Welcome from Pennsylvania." Theodore C. Leach followed with "Our Manufacturing Industries," the Brazilian minister spoke and ex-Secretary Olney then responded to "Internation al Law." The Chinese minister answered to "The Orient," and then followed President McKinley's speech in response to the toast, "The President of the United States." He said:

Ladies and Gentlemen: For the cordiality of your reception I am indeed grateful, although from my recent experience in this great city it is not wholly and altogether surprising and unexpected. A recent visit to your city gave me an opportunity to feel the warm hearttouch of the people of Philadelphia, and to en-joy their splendid and boundless hospitality. I nust tell you that from the first to I have been deeply impressed with the scenes witnessed in Philadelphia to-day. I have seen the remarkable spectacle of the representatives of all the American republics with the products of their skill and their toll in one great ware-house. The first great convention of these re-publics was organized by the matchless diplomacy of that splendid American, James G. Blaine.

Seven years ago, he brought the governm of this continent together and taught that the doctrine of general reciprocity in trade required reciprocity of information. And it was his cenius, with that of many gentlemen I see around this board to-night, that originated the bureau of American republics located in this city, which has already done much good and which I believe will yet play an important part in our trade relations with the governments supporting it. My fellow-citizens, there is no motive to make a product if you can't find somebody to take it. The maker must find the somebody to take it. The maker must may the taker. You will not employ labor to make a product if you cannot find a buyer for that product after labor has made it.

Gentlemen, I am glad to meet the representa-

tives of the American republics here to-night. I am glad to meet representatives of the gov-ments of all the world here to-night. I have met the manufacturers of Philadelphia and the state of Pennsylvania before. I met you in the days of your highest prosperity. I cannot avoid meeting you if I would, and I would not if I

But let me tell you, my countrymen, that resuscitation will not be promoted by recrimina-tion. The distrust of the present will not be removed by distrust of the future. A patriot makes a better citizen than a pessimist, and we have got to be patient, for, much as we want to move out of the old house, we should not do graph in midnir that has ever been half made is of no practicable use except to in-secured. He did this with special dicate that in a little while a whole tariff law will be done, and it is making progress. It is reaching the end, and when the end comes we will have business confidence and industrial activity. Let us keep stout hearts and steady heads. The country is not going backward, but forward. American energy has not been destroyed by the storms of the past. It will triumph through wise and beneficent legislation.

Philadelphians have in the past shown what busy industries and well employed labor can d to make a great city and the large population They don't mean to accept the present condi-tion as permanent and final. They will meet embarrassments as they have braved them in the past, and in the end will restore the splen the past, and in the case of the past, and the magnificent labor to prosperity, and, gentlemen, Philadelphia is but the type of American pluck and courage everywhere throughout the United States.

At 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon the international commercial congress. with 350 delegates present, representing commercial and industrial bodies in all sections of the United States and many foreign countries, the foreigners coming principally from Mexico and the Central and South American states, was opened by President McKinley.

TO TALK OF PEACE.

Negotiations Between Turkey and Greece

Expected to Begin Soon. LONDON, June 3.-The Turks had promised to sign the extension of the armistice at dawn to-day and it is expected that peace negotiations will bein promptly at Constantinople. King George, it is understood, has yielded several points, with a view of hastening negotiations, and of bringing about the Turkish evacuation of Thes saly. In this matter, it is said the Russian government has promised to

They Want to Buy Cattle Paper KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 3.-A numer of eastern capitalists arrived in Kansas City yesterday and spent the day at the stock yards. The members of the party are men with money to invest, and they are upon an investi-gating trip to satisfy themselves as to the inducements for loaning money upon Kansas cattle.

Passing of a Missouri Pioneer. KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 3. James L. Minor, first superintendent of pub-lic schools of the state of Missouri, former secretary of state and adjutantgeneral and twice a curator of the state university, died in Kausas City yesterday at the age of 84 years.

Capt. Arnold Declines.
HUTCHINSON, Kan., June 3.—Capt.
Arnold, ex-sheriff of Cherolese county, who was recently appointed superintendent of the state reformatory here has declined the position. W. J. Lin genfelter is temporarily in charge of he reformatory.

One of the greatest bankers in the world is the British government. As a bank it holds nearly \$500,000,000 in post office deposits payable practically on call, and payainterest at the rate of Big per cent. per annum to its depositors. Last year the deposits increased \$50,000,000.

the Catholic party in the France cham-ber of deputies, who has just been elect-ed to fill Jules Simon's sent in the

COULD TALK ABOUT FLIES. Dull Pupil Proved He Was Not a Fool-His

One of the speakers at a banquet given here recently dwelt at some length upon a man's natural aptitude to the vocation in life he pursued, and attributed as a result of so many failures the fact that a majority of mankind were following vocations not in bent with their natural inclinations. He told an interesting story illustrating his meaning from one of his school-boy recollections, as follows: "At my first school there was a boy

to whom the teacher could not succe in imparting the simplest rules of elementary knowledge. Try as she might, her efforts were failures. Her patience, after exhaustless trials, turned to despair. One day, when he seemed duller than usual, she sent him from the recitation bench to his seat with a severe reprimand, promising to recommend his dismissal to

"Shortly afterward she observed him bending over some pursuit at his desk. His eyes were lighted with an expression that seemed inspiration. Anxious to know the cause of this almost miraculous transformation from sloth that was sluggish to activity that was life, she passed down the aisle by his desk on some pretext that would not disturb him, and found the cause of his glowing study to be the examination of a fly, which he had caught and was examining, having dissected it into parts. The truth dawned upon the teacher. The boy's mind ran to entomology. He was a born naturalist.

"The teacher said nothing, but that afternoon called up the entire class for general recitation. The boy's appearance was as dull as ever. 'Boys,' said the teacher addressing the entire school, 'I want to see how far your general powers of observation on trivial subjects go. For instance, you have all seen thousands of flies. Now, I want each one of you to tell me his impres-Beyond the fact that a sion of a fly.' fly is a fly and had two wings not one of the school could say anything further. At the first mention of the subject the dull boy was all aglow. He held up his hand and snapped his fingers. He realized his superiority. It was his day. He told of the fly from a general and analytical standpoint, its interior and exterior construction, its habits, its food, its generation and its propensities. The rest of the school sat astonished. The boy went on and launched to to a general discription of bugs and insects he had caught in the

"From that day the teacher encouraged his peculiar aptitude and trou-bled him no more with the rules of grammar and arithmetic. She went into the woods with him and helped in his studies of nature. She brought the attention of the school trustees to his case and, to make a long story short, he was sent to Europe for study. In Leipsic he was made moderator of the National Conservatory of Science. He held for a time an important position in the Smithsonian at Washington, and he is now in Paris, one of the leading entomologists of the world."-Washington Post.

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